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LIST OF TOWN OFFICERS.

Clerk,

D. A. WESTCOTT.

Treasurer,

E. D. BANCROFT.

Collector,

E. S. STIMPSON.

Auditor,

REUBEN A. COOKE.

Selectmen, Overseers of Poor, Board of Health and Fence Viewers,

J. B. BANCROFT,

L. B. GASKILL,

F. M. DAY.

Assessors,

A. W. HAM,

WM. BANCROFT,

G. O. DRAPER.

School Committee,

2 Years—A. W. HAM,

1 Year—F. J. DUTCHER,

3 Years—ANNA M. BANCROFT.

Trustees of Library,

2 Years—A. T. GIFFORD,

1 Year—F. H. FRENCH,

3 Years—IRVING F. ROSS.

Constables,

ROBERT ROSS,

ANTOINE MORIN,

S. A. ANDREW,

F. S. HAYWARD,

T. J. COYNE,

J. M. FRENCH,

CHAS. A. HOPKINS,

E. C. BARROWS.

Field Drivers,

ELMER ALGER,

GEO. AMBLER,

FRANK GASKILL.

Highway Surveyors,

J. B. BANCROFT,

L. B. GASKILL,

F. M. DAY,

C. F. ROPER,

GEO. A. DRAPER.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT in account with E. D. Bancroft, Treas.

Dr.

To orders drawn, viz.:

Breaking roads..... \$ 57 40
Sewers..... 523 59
F. E. Shaw, balance of 1890 account... 1184 62
Surveying and plans..... 1338 19
Widening Dutcher Street and land damage..... 6614 83
Progress and Soward Streets..... 2811 58
Work done on fire alarm..... 53 88
Labor and materials used on Roads and Bridges:
Hopedale..... 3135 79
South Hopedale..... 255 85
Sundries (see Highway Surveyors' report) 518 86

\$16,494 59

To amount due from Milford & Hopedale St. R. R. Co..... 19 24
Balance overdrawn..... \$3954 42

Cr.

By appropriations:

General..... \$3500
Sewers..... 500
Dutcher Street and Land Damage.. 5000
Progress and Soward Streets..... 2000
Surveying and plans..... 1000
F. E. Shaw..... 140 16
Hopedale Machine Co..... 5 70
Milford Water Co..... 21 19
Fire Department..... 53 88
G. & U. R. R. Co..... 300
Amount due from Milford & Hopedale St. R. R. Co..... 19 24
Balances overdrawn:
Sewer account..... 23 59
Shaw '90 account..... 1044 46
Dutcher St. account..... 1614 83
Progress and Soward Sts. account... 790 39
Survey and plans..... 338 19
General account..... 142 96

\$16,494 59

SIDEWALK DEPARTMENT in account with E. D. Bancroft, Treas.

Dr.

To orders drawn, viz.:

Labor and material.....
 Concrete.....
 Balance unexpended.....

\$ 80 37
 559 00
 304 55

To amount due from C. H. Colburn....

\$943 92
 37 15

Cr.

By appropriation.....
 " G. A. Draper.....
 " J. B. & W. Bancroft.....
 " J. B. Bancroft.....
 " Amount due from C. H. Colburn.....

\$800
 96 67
 2 50
 7 00
 37 75

 \$943 92
 304 55

By balance unexpended.....

FIRE DEPARTMENT in account with E. D. Bancroft, Treas.

Dr.

To orders drawn, viz.:

Pay of members.....
 Water.....
 Lights.....
 Fire alarm.....
 Sundries (see Engineers' report).....

\$ 529 17
 8 00
 14 40
 2042 90
 296 97

\$2891 44

To balance overdrawn on appropriations:

On fire alarm.....
 " general account.....

\$342 90
 48 54

Cr.

By appropriation, general.....
 Fire alarm (only \$500 of this was raised.)
 Balance overdrawn.....

\$800 00
 1700
 391 44

\$2891 44

TREASURER'S REPORT CONTINUED.

POOR DEPARTMENT in account with E. D. Bancroft, Treas.

Dr.

To orders drawn, viz:

State paupers..... \$335 32
 Insane 338 94
 Sundries, (see Overseers' report) 268 62
 Balance unexpended..... 61 90

\$1004 78
 \$254 12
 81 20

To amounts due from State of Mass.
 .. doubtful
 We also have charged to the town of Milford, \$221.93
 which is our share of amt. received in the Touhey
 case from the state.

Cr.

By appropriation \$500
 .. A. W. Ham, acct. insane..... 169 46
 .. Amounts due from State of Mass., acct.
 state paupers, allowed by state..... 254 12
 Balance claimed by us but collection
 considered very doubtful..... 81 20

\$1004 78
 61 90

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STATE AID DEPARTMENT in account with E. D. Bancroft, Treas.

Dr.

To amounts paid out on orders and charged
 to the state of Mass..... \$196 00

Cr.

By amount received from state on 1890
 account..... \$176 00

MILITARY AID DEPARTMENT in account with E. D. Bancroft, Treas.

Dr.

To unexpended balance..... \$100 00 | By appropriation

Cr.

\$100 00

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT in account with E. D. Bancroft, Treas.

Dr.

To orders drawn, viz.:

Teaching Hopedale.....	\$3327 40
" So. Hopedale.....	400 85
Care " 	24
" Hopedale.....	277 84
Fuel " 	441 95
" So. Hopedale.....	28 95
Text books.....	297 41
Repairs.....	154 84
Supervision.....	100
Incidentals.....	182 65
Improvements.....	947 41
Furnaces.....	400

\$6583 30

Balance overdrawn..... 540 49

Amount due town, on account of School Fund,
from State of Mass., not yet reported.

Cr.

By appropriations:

General.....	\$5600
Furnaces.....	400
Supplies sold.....	13 81
Tuition.....	29
Balance overdrawn.....	540 49

\$6583 30

TREASURER'S REPORT CONTINUED.

SPECIAL APPROPRIATION in account with E. D. Bancroft, Treas.

Dr.

WATER ACCOUNT.

To Orders drawn..... \$764 86

By appropriation \$800
By balance unexpended..... 35 14

STREET LIGHT ACCOUNT.

To orders drawn..... \$796 62
Balance unexpended..... 21 88

STREET LIGHT ACCOUNT.

By appropriation..... \$800
Amount received from Gas Co., (rebate
on '90 acct.) 18 05
By gasolene sold..... 45

\$818 50

By balance unexpended..... \$818 50
21 88

INTEREST ACCOUNT.

To orders drawn..... \$439 98
To balance unexpended..... 209 32

INTEREST ACCOUNT.

By appropriation \$400
By interest on deposits in bank..... 249 30
\$649 30
By balance unexpended..... 209 32

Cr.

WATER ACCOUNT.

STREET LIGHT ACCOUNT.

INTEREST ACCOUNT.

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS Continued.

Dr.

Cr.

DECORATION DAY ACCOUNT.

DECORATION DAY ACCOUNT.

To orders drawn \$25 00

By appropriation \$25. 00

TOWN HALL ACCOUNT.

TOWN HALL ACCOUNT.

To orders drawn \$834 54

\$648 75

To balance overdrawn 31

31

Amount due from janitors 154 79

154 79

Amount due from janitors 31

\$834 54

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TOWN DEBT ACCOUNT.

TOWN DEBT ACCOUNT.

To amount paid March 14, '91 \$2000

\$2000

Balance to be paid March 14, '92 2000

2000

\$4000

\$4000

Amount due on note Dec. 31st, 1891... \$8000

\$2000

TAX ABATEMENT ACCOUNT.

TAX ABATEMENT ACCOUNT.

To taxes abated, viz.:

E. S. Draper \$39 20

\$39 20

TREASURER'S REPORT CONTINUED.

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS. Continued

Dr.

CEMETERY TRUST in acct. with E. D. Bancroft, Treas.

To balance to new account..... \$1500

By balance from last year..... \$300
 April 13, '91, Miss Humphrey 250
 April 25, Mr. J. B. Bancroft..... 500
 May 4, F. J. and G. M. Dutcher..... 150
 June 17, Mrs. S. B. Holbrook..... 100
 June 29, Mrs. L. H. Ballou..... 200

Balance on hand Dec. 31st, '91..... \$1500
 1500

Cr.

CEMETERY TRUST in acct. with E. D. Bancroft, Treas.

STATE AND COUNTY TAX ACCOUNT.

To State Tax..... \$10⁰⁰/₅
 County Tax..... 1157
 Balance unexpended..... 38

\$2200

STATE AND COUNTY TAX ACCOUNT.

By appropriation..... \$2200

Balance unexpended..... 38

INCIDENTAL DEPARTMENT in account with E. D. Bancroft, Treas.

Dr.

To orders drawn, viz.:

Salaries:	
Selectmen.....	\$200
Treasurer.....	100
Town Clerk and clerk selectmen.....	85
Assessors.....	69 75
Collector.....	115 86
Auditor.....	20
Stationery.....	
Legal services.....	
Printing.....	
Fire alarm.....	
Sundries (see Selectmen's report).....	
G. E. Schofield, damages.....	

\$590 61
49 92
160 47
132 75
74
159 94
550

Balance overdrawn
\$1644 43
109 77

Cr.

By appropriation.....	\$1500
Sale of Town Histories.....	2
Cash from Court fines.....	23 21
Cash from Highway account, F. E. Shaw	9 45
Balance overdrawn.....	109 77

TREASURER'S REPORT CONTINUED.

CORPORATION and BANK TAX in account with E. D. Bancroft, Treas.

Dr.

To Corporation Tax 1887, 1888 and 1889
acts. (collection considered doubtful) \$151 94
Corporation Tax 1890 acct. 240 13
Bank Tax 1890 acct. 9 08
Bank Tax 1891 acct. 1922 44
Corporation Tax 1891 acct. 12,301 32

\$14,624 91

Corporation Tax '87, '88, '89 (collection
considered doubtful) 151 94
Corporation Tax 1890 122 80
Corporation Tax 1891 201 03

Cr.

By cash, Corporation Tax 1890 acct. \$117 33
Bank Tax 1890 acct. 9 08
Bank Tax 1891 acct. 1922 44
Corporation Tax 1891 acct. 12,100 29
Balance unpaid. 475 77

\$14,624 91

LIBRARY DEPARTMENT in account with E. D. Bancroft, Treas.

Dr.

To orders drawn, viz.:

Books.....	\$288 82
Periodicals.....	146 85
Labor	328 10
Binding.....	65 57
Care.....	58 50
Gas and Water.....	74 26
Supplies	31 61
Sundries (see Trustees' report).....	35 74
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	\$1029 45

Balance overdrawn

20

Cr.

By appropriation.....	\$800
Fines, etc....	28 94
Dog Tax.....	180 51
Balance overdrawn.....	20

\$1029 45

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TREASURER'S REPORT CONTINUED.

E. D. BANCROFT, TREAS., in account with TOWN OF HOPEDALE.

Dr.

Balance from old acct.:	
Cemetery Trust.....	\$ 300
Cash for pay't on note due	
March 14, 1891.....	2000
Cash from G. & U. R. R. for	
repairs on roads.....	300
Cash from sundry accts.....	12,800 84 \$15,400 84
Collector 1890 acct.....	19 42
Collector 1891 acct.....	14,297 75
Corporation Tax, 1890 acct.....	117 33
Corporation Tax, 1891 acct.....	12,100 29
Bank Tax, 1891 acct.....	1922 44
Bank Tax, 1890 acct.....	9 08
Dog Licenses for acct. Library	180 51
Cemetery Trust:	
Mrs. Humphrey.....	\$250
J. B. Bancroft.....	500
F. J. and G. M. Dutcher..	150
Mrs. Holbrook.....	100
Mrs. Ballou.....	200
State of Mass., acct. State Aid.....	1200
A. W. Ham, acct. Poor Department...	176
Library acct.....	169 46
Interest on deposits.....	28 94
	249 30

Cr.

By amount paid, viz.:

School account.....	\$6583 30
Fire Department acct.....	2891 44
Poor Department acct.....	942 88
State Aid acct.....	196
Highway acct.....	16,494 59
Sidewalk acct.....	639 37
Library acct.....	1029 45
Water acct.....	764 86
Street Light acct.....	796 62
Town Hall acct.....	834 54
Interest acct.....	439 98
Town Debt, acct. 1890	2000
Decoration Day acct.....	25
State Tax acct.....	1005
County Tax acct.....	1157
Tax Abatement acct.....	39 20
Incidental acct.....	1644 43

School acct.....	42	81
Highway acct.....	80	77
Sidewalks	106	17
Town Hall.....	648	75
F. E. Shaw, acct. Highway.....	140	16
Incidental acct.....	34	66
Street Light acct.....	18	50
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Balance to new acct, viz.:	\$46,943	18
Cemetery Trust acct.....	\$1500	
Cash for payment on note due March 14, 1892.....	2000	
Sundry items to General Fund	5959	52
	\$9459	52

Balance to new acct.....	9459	52
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	\$46,943	18

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS. BALANCES JAN. 1. 1892.

Accounts.	Appropriations.	Balances.	
		Dr.	Cr.
Schools.	\$ 6000	\$ 540 49	
Fire Department.	800	48 54	
Fire Alarm, (only \$500 raised.)	1700	342 90	
Poor Department.	500		61 90
“ “ unpaid.		254 12*	
“ “ doubtful.		81 20*	
Military Aid.	100		100 00
State Aid.			176 00
“ “ accounts unpaid.		196 00*	
Incidentals.	1500	109 77	
State and County Tax.	2200		38 00
Town Hall.		154 79	
Tax Abatements.		39 20	
Highways, Land Damage, } Sewers, New Streets, etc. }	12000	3954 42	
Sidewalks.	800		304 55
Library.	800	20 00	
Water.	800		35 14
Street Lights.	800		21 88
Interest acct.	400		209 32
Town Debt.	2000		2000 00
Decoration Day.	25		

* These Amounts are due from State of Massachusetts.

SUMMARY OF AMOUNTS CHARGED SUNDRY PARTIES

Uncollected to December 31st, 1891.

State of Massachusetts, acct. State paupers.....	\$335 32
State of Massachusetts, acct. State aid.....	196
“ “ Corporation tax, old accts.....	274 74
“ “ “ “ 1891 acct.....	201 03
Janitors of Town Hall.....	31
C. H. Colburn, acct. Sidewalks.....	37 75
Milford & Hopedale Street R. R. Co., acct. Highways..	19 24
Town of Milford, “Touhey Case”.....	221 93

REPORT OF SELECTMEN.

FOR YEAR ENDING JAN. 1, 1892.

INCIDENTAL ACCOUNT.

Appropriation		\$1500
To D. A. Westcott recording deaths,		
marriages, births, etc.....	\$ 25	45
Dr. Knight, for return of births, etc.	5	25
Cook & Sena, printing.....	132	75
D. A. Westcott, stationery.....	16	23
Sanford & Co., ".....	2	
M. R. Warren, ".....	1	
Thos. Groom & Co., ".....	12	
F. H. French, ".....	3	
Geo. Draper & Sons, ".....	2	50
P. B. Murphy, ".....	2	25
G. O. Draper, ".....	3	46
E. D. Bancroft, treas., ".....	4	48
E. T. Ross, ".....	3	
E. D. Bancroft, trip to Boston.	1	
S. A. Andrew, posting warrants, etc.	11	
L. B. Gaskill, killing dog.....	1	
J. M. French, moving post.....	1	50
Hopedale Machine Co. for express		
paid by them.....	15	
D. A. Westcott for sundries, express.	15	80
Grafton & Upton R. R., for freights.	2	31
G. O. Draper, trip to Boston.....	1	54
Town Park:		
Hopedale stable.....	\$ 2	50
W. H. Manning.....	31	48
J. N. Darling.....	18	— 51 98
G. E. Schofield, damage.....	530	
Grafton & Upton R. R., on account		
of fire alarm.....	74	

A. Morin, services as constable.....	7 16
E. C. Barrows, " "	4 16
R. Ross, " "	4
H. C. Snell, as sheriff.....	10 36
James Powers, "	2 88

J. A. Taft, legal services :

Shaw case.....	18 11
Schofield case.....	60 36
Sundry items.....	82 —160 47
Moses Smith, on account of the Board of Health.....	2 90
Hopedale stable, use of team.....	1 50
R. A. Cooke, ballot clerk.....	5
C. E. Pierce, "	5

Salaries :

D. A. Westcott, clerk.....	50
E. D. Bancroft, treasurer..	100
J. B. Bancroft, selectman..	100
L. B. Gaskill, "	50
F. M. Day, "	50
E. S. Stimpson, collector..	115 86
G. H. Davis, auditor.....	20
E. T. Ross, clerk selectmen	35
Wm. Bancroft, assessor..	21
G. O. Draper, " ..	30
A. W. Ham, " ..	18 75—590 61

Sale of Town Histories.....	2
Received from court fines.....	23 21
Received from F. E. Shaw.....	9 45
Balance overdrawn.....	109 77

\$1644 43

\$1644 43

WATER FOR FIRE PURPOSES.

Appropriation.		\$800
To Milford Water Co.....	\$764 86	
Unexpended balance.....	35 14	
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	\$800 00	\$800

MEMORIAL DAY.

Appropriation		\$25
To Milford G. A. R.	\$25	

TOWN HOUSE.

Milford Gas Co. for gas.....	\$ 47 00	
Milford Water Co. for water.....	106 48	
L. A. Cook, coal.....	33 60	
Hopedale Stable Co., coal.....	257 43	
Smith and Wheelock, janitors.....	264	
Hartford Steam Boiler Insurance Co. for insurance.....	40	
Smith & Mead, sundries for lockup..	14 32	
Ralph Varnam, repairs... ..	7 10	
A. S. Pickering, repairs.....	17 40	
Eldredge & Beatty, repairs.....	7 80	
Weed Bros. & Lent, changing doors.	19 43	
Clark Ellis & Sons, sundries.....	11 96	
Dutcher Temple Co., "	1 40	
H. L. Patrick "	62	
E. M. Wheelock, getting piano tuned	3 50	
Wm. C. Brooks, tuning piano.....	2 50	
Received on account of Town House (including accounts yet unpaid)		\$679 75
Exceeded amount received.....		154 79
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	\$834 54	\$834 54

STATE AND COUNTY TAX.

Appropriation		\$2200 00
To State Tax.....	\$1005 00	
County Tax, E. A. Brown, treas....	1157	
Balance unexpended.....	38	
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	\$2200 00	\$2200 00

STATE AND MILITARY AID.

Appropriation.....		\$100 00
To Peter Moore.....	\$120 00	
M R. Hanley.....	72	
J. H. Bartlett.....	4	
Due from State,.....		196
Balance unexpended.....	100	
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	\$296 00	\$296 00

INTEREST ON TOWN DEBT AND CEMETERY TRUST.

Appropriation		\$400 00
Received by treasurer for interest for deposit at City Bank.....		249 30
To Provident Institution of Savings	\$360 00	
Hopedale Cemetery.....	79 98	
Balance unexpended....	209 32	
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	\$649 30	\$649 30
Town Debt.....	8000 00	
Appropriation		\$2000 00

DAMAGE CAUSED BY DOGS.

By E. A. Brown, county treasurer		\$43 60
To J. B. Bancroft, fees.....	\$ 1 00	
Appraisers fees.....	2 60	
A. W. Westcott, damage.....	40	
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	\$43 60	\$43 60

GAS AND STREET LIGHTS.

Appropriation		\$800 00
To Globe Gas Co. for gasoline.....	\$ 69 14	
Globe Gas Co. for repairs.....	11 60	
Milford Gas Co. for gas lights.....	255 83	
Milford Electric Light & Power Co. for electrics.....	300	
Adams Express Co. for express on repairs.....	45	
Hopedale stable for carting gasoline.	5 40	
Grafton & Upton R. R. Co. for freight on gasoline.....	4 40	
Albion French for lighting.....	52 90	
D. O'Connell "	56 40	
E. Gilman "	40 50	
By amount refunded by Gas Co. on 1890 account.....		18 05
Gasoline sold.....		45
Balance unexpended.....	21 88	
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	\$818 50	\$818 50

SUMMARY.

	Appropriation.	Due from State.	Cash Received.	Total.	Expended.	Unexpended Balance.	Exceeded Appropriation.
Incidentals.	1500 00		34 66	1534 66	1644 43		109 77
Town House.			679 75	679 75	834 54		154 79
Gas and Street Lights.	800 00		18 50	818 50	796 62	21 88	
State and Military Aid.	100 00	196 00		296 00	196 00	100 00	
Water for Fire Purposes.	800 00			800 00	764 86	35 14	
Memorial Day.	25 00			25 00	25 00		
State and County Tax.	2200 00			2200 00	2162 00	38 00	
Interest on Town Debt.	400 00		249 30	649 30	433 98	209 32	
Damage by Dogs.			43 60	43 60	43 60		
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				7046 81	6907 03	404 34	264 56

Total amount received..... \$7046 81

Total amount expended..... 6907 03

\$139 78

APPRAISEMENT OF TOWN PROPERTY, Jan. 1, 1892.

Town House.....	\$35,000	
School house, Hopedale street.....	5000	
School house, South Hopedale.....	600	
High School house.....	7000	
Woodland, near Rawson Bridge, about 8 acres.....	500	
Public Library.....	5000	
		<hr/> \$53,100

HIGHWAY PROPERTY.

Stone crusher and engine.....	\$900	
Road scraper.....	80	
Two snow ploughs.....	25	
Small tools.....	45	
Eight sewer grates, new.....	35	
Lamp posts.....	200	
		<hr/> \$1285

FIRE APPARATUS.

Engine house and property.....	\$3000	
Fire alarm.....	2000	
		<hr/> \$5000

APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN.

Memorial Day.....	\$ 25
Incidentals	1500
Interest account	500
State and Military Aid.....	100
Street Lights	800
Support of the poor.....	600
Water for hydrants.....	1000
State and County Tax.....	2200

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. BANCROFT,
L. B. GASKILL,
F. M. DAY, } Selectmen.

REPORT OF HIGHWAY SURVEYORS.

FOR YEAR ENDING JAN. 1, 1892.

HIGHWAYS.

By appropriation.....	\$3500	
Work for Milford & Hopedale St. Ry. Co.....		19 24
Work and supplies for H. M. Co. and fire alarm.....		59 58
Cash from Grafton & Upton R. R..	300	—\$3878 82
To labor by department for fire alarm		53 88
Hopedale district.....	2931	29
South Hopedale.....	255	85
Breaking roads.....	57	40
Material	204	50
Sundries :		
D. A. Westcott, stationery, etc....		12 70
James Beggs & Co., grate bars....		16 50
F. H. French, books.....		6 90
Hopedale Machine Screw Co., shears		1
H. M. Co., supplies, stakes, etc....		25 78
C. E. Longfellow, copying.....		5 42
J. M. French, supplies.....		5 59
Cook & Sons, printing.....		10
Wm. T. Harlow, copy of layout....		1
A. Morin, signs, sharpening drills, repairs, etc.....		34 25
Thomas Gilmore, trimming trees....		20 75
Geo. Draper & Sons, supplies.....		1 80
C. F. Roper, trimming trees.....		20 15
H. L. Patrick, supplies.....		7 85
O. H. Lane, copying.....		1 50
Z. C. Field, lumber for bridge.....		34 44
N. H. Holbrook, wood.....		5
L. A. Cook, lumber and cement....		13 32

Geo. H. Schurlz, railings and posts.	16	27	
Hopedale stable, watering Dutcher st.	13	50	
Clark Ellis & Sons, supplies and tools	229	95	
Carroll Brothers, curbing.....	7	50	
L. B. Gaskill, railings.....	11	30	
Hopedale stable, team.....		75	
Concord Foundry Co., grates.....	14	40	
Dutcher Temple Co., labor on drills	1	24	
	<u>\$4021</u>	<u>78</u>	
Exceeded appropriation.....			142 96
	<u>\$4021</u>	<u>78</u>	<u>\$4021 78</u>

SEWERS.

By appropriation.....			\$500
To Concord Foundry Co., grates and covers.....	\$	38 40	
Labor by department.....	381	33	
Hopedale Machine Co., supplies....	2	81	
A. S. Pickering, building catch basin	24	25	
J. N. Darling, engineer's work.....	39		
A. Morin, stock and labor.....	25	60	
Damage by blasting.....	1	75	
Wm. Maroney, damage to carriage..	5	10	
G. & U. R. R., freight.....	1	61	
H. L. Patrick, supplies.....	3	74	
Exceeded appropriation.....			23 59
	<u>\$523</u>	<u>59</u>	<u>\$523 59</u>

SURVEYING AND MAKING PLANS.

By appropriation.....			\$1000
To Wm. G. Wheelock, jr., labor and assistant.....	\$1338	19	
Exceeded appropriation.....			338 19
	<u>\$1338</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>\$1338 19</u>

SIDEWALKS.

By appropriation.....	\$800	
Assessment for concrete.....	143 92	—\$943 92
To labor by department.....	77 87	
Hopedale Machine Co., sand.....	2 50	
Richardson & Carr, concrete.....	559	
Balance unexpended.....	304 55	
	<u>\$943 92</u>	<u>\$943 92</u>

DUTCHER STREET.

By appropriation.....		\$5000
To Wm. H. Mague, contractor.....	\$5706 39	
Advertising	17 70	
Land damage paid.....	744	
Geo. Draper & Sons, blue prints...	40	
David Ahern, building wall.....	50	
Milford Water Co., lowering pipe...	74 33	
“ “ “ water.....	22 01	
Exceeded appropriation.....		1614 83
	<u>\$6614 83</u>	<u>\$6614 83</u>

PROGRESS AND SOWARD STREETS.

By appropriation.....	\$2000	
Work for Milford Water Co.....	21 19	—\$2021 19
To Wm. H. Mague, contractor.....	2416 19	
Advertising	18 75	
J. N. Darling, surveying.....	6	
Labor by department, lowering pipe.	313 68	
Milford Water Co., “ “..	56 96	
Exceeded appropriation.....		790 39
	<u>\$2811 58</u>	<u>\$2811 58</u>

F. E. SHAW ACCOUNT.

By balance due as per Highway Surveyors'

report, 1890.....	\$1044 46	
Cash from F. E. Shaw.....	140 16	—\$1184 62
To bills paid by order of F. E. Shaw	1184 62	
	<u>\$1184 62</u>	<u>\$1184 62</u>

Department.	Appropriations.	Rec'd for Outside Work.	Due for Outside Work.	Total.	Amount Expended.	Unexpended Balance.	Exceeded Appropriations.
Highway,	3500.00	359.58	19.24	3878.82	4021.78		142.96
Sewers,	500.00			500.00	523.59		23.59
Surveying and Plans,	1000.00			1000.00	1338.19		338.19
Sidewalks,	800.00	106.17	37.75	943.92	639.37	3 4.55	
Dutcher street,	5000.00			5000.00	6614.83		1614.83
Progress and Soward sts.,	2000.00	21.19		2021.19	2811.58		790.29
F. E. Shaw account,	1184.62			1184.62	1184.62		
TOTAL.	\$13984.62	\$486.94	\$56.99	\$14528.55	\$17133.96	\$304.55	\$2909.96

Total amount received.....	\$14,528 55
Total amount expended.....	\$17,133 96
Exceeded appropriations.....	2605 41
	<u>\$17,133 96</u> <u>\$17,133 96</u>

J. B. BANCROFT, L. B. GASKILL, GEO. A. DRAPER, C. F. ROPER, F. M. DAY,	} Highway Surveyors.
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REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF POOR.

FOR YEAR ENDING JAN. 1, 1892.

By appropriation.....	\$500
To persons aided and belonging to State :	
Wm. McKay case :	
To Wm. Emery, for nursing.....	\$ 24
R. L. Darling, " 	91
S. A. Andrew, board, etc.....	20 82
Dr. Knight, professional services...	55
L. A. Lamson, medicine.....	4 25
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	\$195 07
Mary T. Kelley case :	
To Mrs. R. L. Darling, nursing.....	\$ 43 75
Dr. Duggan, professional services...	57
P. O'Donnell, use of carriage.....	2
S. A. Andrew, board, etc.....	21
L. A. Lamson, medicine.....	16 50
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	\$140 25
Frank Lovely, So. Hopedale.....	165
S. A. Andrew, sundry.....	1
Westboro Insane Hospital, care of	
Esther E. Fiske.....	169 48
Worcester Insane Hospital, care of	
W. F. Ham.....	169 46
F. J. Dutcher, guardian of Phebe	
Lewers	51 15
City of Lowell, truant school for care	
of H. W. Greenwood.....	39 32
Adams Express Co., for express on	
stationery	15
Cook & Sons, printing.....	12
By amount charged to State on account of	

Wm. McKay and Mary T.		
Kelley		335 32
By cash, F. W. Ham.....		169 46
Unexpended balance.....	61 90	
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	\$1004 78	\$1004 78

Due from Town of Milford, its share for amount collected in Susan Touhey case, \$221.93, interest to be added.

J. B. BANCROFT,	} Overseers of Poor.
L. B. GASKILL,	
F. M. DAY,	

REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH.

FOR YEAR ENDING JAN. 1, 1892

Three nuisance cases reported, which received due and proper attention.

J. B. BANCROFT,	} Board of Health.
L. B. GASKILL,	
F. M. DAY,	

REPORT OF FENCE VIEWERS.

FOR YEAR ENDING JAN. 1, 1892.

No complaints.

J. B. BANCROFT,	} Fence Viewers.
L. B. GASKILL,	
F. M. DAY,	

BOARD OF ENGINEERS.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ENGINEERS OF HOPEDALE FIRE DEPARTMENT, FOR THE YEAR ENDING JANUARY 1, 1892.

GIVING A LIST AND VALUE OF PROPERTY, NAMES OF MEMBERS,
AND NUMBER OF FIRES.

PROPERTY

One hose house.....	\$1800
One hose carriage and equipments	175
One hook and ladder truck, with ladders...	500
1500 feet hose.....	300
(600 ft. above hose in good condition; 900 ft. not reliable.)	
Arrow gun and fire escape.....	75
Two harnesses, shovels, etc.....	65——\$2915

HYDRANTS.

Twenty-one hydrants located as follows :

Six on Hopedale street.

Four on Adin street.

One on Main street.

Two on Dutcher street.

Two on Union street.

Three on Freedom street.

One in yard of H M. Co.

One at counting room.

One near High School building.

Four additional hydrants to be set :

Two on Dutcher street.

Two on Prospect street.

ENGINEERS.

C. E. Pierce, Chief. W. H. Barney, Assistant.
A. W. Westcott, Clerk and Treasurer.

MEMBERS.

J. P. Durgin, Foreman.	A. L. Buck.
T. J. Coyne, First Assistant.	W. N. Draper.
E. H. Ingram, Second Assistant.	F. A. Waterman.
E. S. Adams, Clerk.	C. M. Barnes.
F. L. Dudley, Treasurer.	J. E. Andrew.
F. M. Day, Fire Police.	C. E. Nutting.
Wm. Sears, Steward.	C. L. Whitney.
F. A. Mooney.	

PAY OF MEMBERS AND ENGINEERS.

By appropriation		\$550
To pay of members.....	\$349 75	
Poll tax of members and engineers.....	31 36	
F. M. Day, services as fire police.....	20	
Pay of engineers.....	78	
C F. Steele, services as steward, 1 month	4 16	
C. L. Whitney, services as steward, 7½		
months.....	31 26	
Wm. Sears, services as steward, 3½		
months.....	14 64	
Unexpended balance.....	20 83	
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	\$550	\$550

INCIDENTALS.

By appropriation		\$250
To Milford Gas Co.....	\$ 14 40	
Milford Water Co.....	8	
Wood and coal.....	25 90	
Hopedale stable, horses for truck and		
hose carriage.....	85 99	
Hose Co., supplies.....	1 93	
C. E. Pierce, Adams express.....	50	

Geo. Draper & Sons, 1 book.....	50	
J. Mead, cleaning hydrants.....	1	
W. H. Barney, two ladders, express....	2	80
Hopedale Machine Co., labor and material	2	90
A. Morin, labor on hose carriage.....	3	75
L. Grow, labor on hose carriage.....	3	75
A. J. Morse & Son, rubber pipe and nozzle		
Healy nozzle and siamese.....	100	40
J. Hinman, chemicals.....	9	
C. M. Barnes, labor on hose carriage....	2	10
One Crosby water gauge.....	6	30
George W. Simmons & Co., coats and		
rubber coats.....	48	15
J. A. Simpson, two 16 ft. poles.....	2	
Exceeded appropriation.....		69 37
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	\$319 37	\$319 37

RECAPITULATION.

By total appropriation.....		\$800
To pay of members and engineers.....	529 17	
Incidentals	319 37	
Exceeded appropriation.....		48 54
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	\$848 54	\$848 54

NUMBER OF FIRES.

February 21.	House of E. S. Draper, Union street.
March 18.	Brush fire on land Dutcher Temple Co.
" 21.	G. A. Draper, residence.
" 27.	Peter Moore, barn.
" 30.	Brush fire on land of F. J. Dutcher.
April 9.	Brush fire, South Hopedale, land of S. Gaskill.
" 10.	Brush fire, peat meadow.
" 10.	Brush fire on Darling Hill.
" 29.	Brush fire, land of F. J. Dutcher.
May 1	Brush fire, land of F. J. Dutcher and G. O. Draper.

October 24. Barn, Adams place.

“ 25. Barn, Adams place.

November 25. Walker's mill.

For 1892.—We would recommend the following appropriations :

Pay of members and engineers.....	\$600
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Incidentals	350
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That the town buy 300 ft. hose.

Also recommend the town in the near future to set hydrant on Dutcher Extension street; also one on Main street near Mrs. Samuel Walker's.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. E. PIERCE,
W. H. BARNEY,
A. W. WESTCOTT.

FIRE ALARM TELEGRAPH.

THE COMMITTEE, CONSISTING OF THE SELECTMEN
AND FIRE ENGINEERS, APPOINTED BY THE
TOWN TO PROCURE A FIRE ALARM SYSTEM,
SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING REPORT.

The Gamewell Fire Alarm purchased at the following cost :

Contract for fire alarm telegraph plant...	\$1206
Blake Bell Co., 1 bell.....	323 69
Blake Bell Co., yoke, standard and frame	45
New England Gamewell Co. for one automatic box extra.....	75
Keys, supplies, etc.....	32 25
J. A. Simpson, boxing weights, labor and material.....	23 73
Z. C. Field, lumber	26 93
Mrs. Samuel Walker, 22 poles.....	20
J. F. Miller, painting signs	4 50
Highway department, labor and teaming.	53 88
H. E. Brown, locating boxes and care of fire alarm.....	12 38
W. L. Sloan, oil, paint and labor.....	3 33
Hopedale stable, teams and labor.....	35 40
Eldredge & Beattey, oil, paint and labor	5 37
Weed Bros. & Lent, labor on tower.....	79 34
G. M. Billings, printing.....	3 50
Clark Ellis & Sons, hardware.....	92 60—\$2042 90

LOCATION OF FIRE ALARM BOXES.

- Box 25. Hopedale Machine Co yard.
- Box 26. Union street, near Hopedale stable.
- Box 38. Corner Freedom and Dutcher streets.
- Box 45. West of dam on Freedom street.
- Box 53. Corner Adin and Hopedale streets.
- Box 57. Adin street, near residence of E. S. Draper.
- Box 62. Corner Main and Hopedale streets, four corners.
- Box 64. Near Westcott's Mills.

Names of key holders found at boxes.

The committee would say, in submitting this report, they have procured the best system known. It has been thoroughly tested and worked satisfactory, and think it the best addition the Fire Department has ever made. It will require constant care, and with such care satisfactory results will be obtained. One alarm has been rung in since it was accepted by the engineers—box 62, for the Walker shop fire. Probably fifteen or twenty minutes' time was gained by the department at this fire on account of the alarm; in many cases this would mean the difference between slight damage and total loss.

J. B. BANCROFT,	}	Committee appointed by the Town to purchase a Fire Alarm.
C. E. PIERCE,		
L. B. GASKILL,		
W. H. BARNEY,		
F. M. DAY,		
A. W. WESTCOTT,		

ASSESSORS' REPORT FOR 1891.

Valuation of real estate, excluding land....	\$532,950	
Valuation of real estate, excluding buildings	\$199,030	
Total valuation of real estate.....		\$731,980
Total valuation of personal estate.....		\$668,655
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Total valuation.....		\$1,400,635
Tax rate per \$1000.....		\$10
Tax on property.....		\$14,006 35
Number of polls taxed.....	386	
Tax on each poll.....	\$2	
Tax on polls.....	\$772	\$772
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Total tax.....		\$14,778 35
Tax submitted for collection.....	\$14,790 35	
Additional tax submitted.....	48	
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	\$14,838 35	
Correction in property tax, \$42;		
correction in poll tax. \$18...	60	
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Total tax.....	\$14,778 35	\$14,778 35
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Abatements:		
Corrections as above.....	60	
Other abatements	87 25	\$147 25
Bank Tax		\$1922 44
Corporation Tax.....		\$12,301 32
Number of persons assessed		489
Number of persons assessed on property....		190
Number of persons assessed for poll tax only		299
Number of polls assessed.....		395
Number of horses assessed.....		136
Number of cows assessed.....		116
Number of neat cattle assessed.....		17
Number of swine assessed.....		46
Number of dwelling houses.....		232
Acres of land.....		3065

Population	1247
Number of men of military age.....	318
Number of school children.....	216
Number of dogs.....	90

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT.

The ten largest landowners in town are as follows :

	Approximate.
Samuel Gaskill.....	517 acres.
Estate of Samuel Walker.....	155 "
Hopedale Machine Co.....	149 "
Lewis B. Gaskill.....	110 "
Dutcher Temple Co.....	100 "
Amariah A. Taft (Milford).....	98 "
William F. Draper.....	93 "
Augustus W. Westcott.....	92 "
A. W. Gaskill (Mendon).....	75 "
Henry L. Patrick.....	72 "
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Or about 47 per cent. of the whole.

The ten largest owners of taxed personal property outside Corpora-
tion and Bank tax are as follows :

William F. Draper.....	\$188,605
Eben S. Draper.....	72,705
Geo. Draper & Sons.....	60,000
Mrs. C. H. Colburn.....	49,500
Geo. A. Draper.....	42,627
Mrs. E. L. Osgood.....	30,779
Joseph B. Bancroft.....	25,285
Hopedale Machine Co.....	25,000
Hopedale Elastic Goods Co.....	25,000
A. A. Westcott.....	15,000
	<hr/> \$534,501

Or about 80 per cent. of the whole.

The ten largest owners of taxed real estate are as follows :

Hopedale Machine Co.....	\$155.650
Hopedale Elastic Goods Co.....	42.400
Dutcher Temple Co.....	41,300
William F. Draper.....	30,520
Eben S. Draper.....	27,800
Henry L. Patrick	25,100
Estate of Samuel Walker.....	23 760
Geo. Draper & Sons.....	23,625
Geo. A. Draper.....	20,490
Samuel Gaskill.....	20,350
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	\$410,995

Or about 56 per cent. of the whole.

List of those paying over one hundred dollars tax, both direct tax and indirect tax added. The Corporation and Bank taxes are figured on a basis of average value for stocks with the same par value, and is therefore only approximately correct. The totals, however, cannot be far out of the way :

William F. Draper.....	\$7256 07
Geo. A. Draper	2884 99
Eben S. Draper.....	2875 81
Hopedale Machine Co. (direct).....	1806 50
Mrs. Charles H. Colburn.....	1787 76
Mrs. Edward L. Osgood.....	1628 56
Joseph B. Bancroft.....	1040 03
Frank J. & G. M. Dutcher.....	1037 91
Geo. Draper & Sons.....	836 25
Hopedale Elastic Goods Co (direct)....	674
Dutcher Temple Co. (direct).....	513
Eben D. Bancroft.....	472 58
Asa A. Westcott.....	347 90
Henry L. Patrick	335 61
Hopedale Machine Screw Co. (direct)....	294

Samuel Gaskill	290 33
Estate of Samuel Walker	282 80
Hopedale Stable & Ice Co.'s	274 60
William F. Draper, Jr.	245 36
Estate of Adin Ballou and Lucy Ballou...	194 28
Charles F. Roper	186 03
Geo. O Draper	168 28
William Welch	138 48
Estate of George Draper	100

GEO. OTIS DRAPER,	}	Board of Assessors.
WILLIAM BANCROFT,		
ALBERT W. HAM,		

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

1890.

EDWARD S. STIMPSON, Collector.	Dr.	Cr.
To uncollected taxes.....	\$84 10	
By cash paid E. D. Bancroft, Treas.....		\$13 66
Uncollected taxes.....		70 44
	<u>\$84 10</u>	<u>\$84 10</u>

1891.

EDWARD S. STIMPSON, Collector.	Dr.	Cr.
To tax committed for collection.....	\$14,838 35	
By cash paid E. D. Bancroft, Treas.....		\$14,297 75
Discount allowed.....		276 55
Taxes abated.....		107 25
Uncollected taxes.....		156 80
	<u>\$14,838 35</u>	<u>\$14,838 35</u>

EDWARD S. STIMPSON, Collector.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

The accounts of the various departments have been examined, and the orders drawn agree with the vouchers with one or two exceptions, which exceptions do not materially affect the accounts.

There is a deficit of \$10.25 in the Janitors' account, this amount having been stolen at the time of the Post-office burglary, Jan. 23, 1891.

Respectfully submitted,

REUBEN A. COOKE, Auditor.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

Sixteen marriage intentions have been recorded. Twenty-two of the contracting parties were residents of Hopedale, 4 of Milford, 1 of Medway, 2 of Mendon, 1 of Franklin, 1 of Salem, 1 of Woonsocket, R. I.

Nineteen marriages have been recorded. Twenty-five of the parties were born in Mass., 4 in Rhode Island, 2 in New Hampshire, 1 in Maine, 6 of foreign birth. Oldest groom, 44; youngest groom, 19. Oldest bride, 33; youngest bride, 18. First marriage of 35; second marriage of 3. Two of the ceremonies were performed by D. A. Westcott, Justice of the Peace, 2 by Rev. L. G. Wilson, 3 by Rev. A. W. Mills, Milford, 1 by Rev. E. W. Whitney, Milford, 2 by Rev. W. Woodbury, Milford, 1 by Rev. L. G. Barrett, Milford, 2 by Rev. James T. Canavan, Milford, 2 by Rev. Wm. Carr, Medway, 1 by Rev. Wm. Hare, Cambridge, 1 by Rev. T. H. Reeves, Woonsocket, R. I., 1 by J. W. Allen, Justice of the Peace, Boston, 1 by Rev. E. T. Mitchell.

Twenty deaths have been recorded—9 male, 11 female; 5 had fathers of foreign birth, 6 had mothers of foreign birth, 3 were of foreign birth. Age of oldest, 80 years; age of youngest, 1 month. Nine were over 30 years of age; 5 were under 1 year.

Thirty births have been recorded—16 male, 14 female. Two had fathers of foreign birth, 7 had mothers of foreign birth.

Ninety-four dog licenses have been issued—80 male, 14 female. \$208.20 was remitted to E. A. Brown, County Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

D. A. WESTCOTT, Town Clerk.

SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
OF THE
TOWN OF HOPEDALE,
MASSACHUSETTS,
FOR THE YEAR
1891.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

ALBERT W. HAM, Chairman.....1893
ANNA M. BANCROFT.....1894
FRANK J. DUTCHER, Secretary.....1892

TRUANT OFFICERS.

ALBERT W. HAM, ANTOINE MORIN,
FRANK J. DUTCHER.

AUTHORIZED TO SIGN CERTIFICATES FOR CHILDREN BETWEEN THE
AGES OF 13 AND 16,
FRANK J. DUTCHER.

REPORT.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Available for use of the School Department.

General appropriation.....	\$5600
Re-setting furnaces.....	400
Tuition	29
Supplies, etc.....	13 81
Overdrawn	540 49—\$6583 30

Orders drawn on the town treasurer :

Teaching.

Hopedale, including High School.....	3327 40
South Hopedale.....	400 85

Care of Buildings.

Hopedale	277 84
South Hopedale.....	24

Fuel.

Hopedale	441 95
South Hopedale.....	28 95

Text books and supplies..... 297 41

Repairs.

Hopedale :

A. S. Pickering, mason work.....	3 57
Weed Bros. & Lent, carpentry.....	7 36
Clark Ellis & Sons, repairing plumbing....	14 41
Dutcher Temple Co , painting, glazing, altering blinds, stone work grammar building and sundry small repairs.....	129 50
Re-setting furnaces.....	400

Supervision.

School Committee	100
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Incidentals.

Geo. S. Perry, dusters, door mats, drawing models, etc.....	19 10
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Brigham & Co., rubber stamps.....	30	
Cook & Sons, printing.....	32	50
H. E. Shepard, tuning piano.....	5	75
Dutcher Temple Co., stamps and envelopes	8	41
Brushes, paper, etc.....	6	95
Balance on furnace job.....	34	82
Clark Ellis & Sons, fertilizer, picture cord,		
repairing stove, etc.....	8	22
Walter Kimball & Co., framing picture....	3	
Frank Edmands, school census.....	7	
H. C. Kendall, filling diplomas.....	1	80
Heliotype Co., printing and stationery....	14	
L. A. Lamson, chemicals.....	3	23
R. Varnam, carpentry.....	1	37
Milford Water Company, water.	36	20
Improvements		
Hopedale :		
R. Varnam, storm porch.....	16	87
Labor, including carting loam, cultivating		
and seeding Grammar School lot, East		
side,.....	565	14
Fertilizer for same.....	61	03
Clark Ellis & Sons, grass seed.....	12	81
Fence posts.....	8	
J. N. Darling, engineering and survey....	14	25
Iron grating.....	6	30
Labor on fence and signs.....	8	06
Clark Ellis & Sons, drain pipe.....	24	16
Wire fencing.....	10	21
A. S. Pickering, mason work.....	7	30
Labor, carting loam and grading Grammar		
School front yard.....	185	63
Labor, High School lot.....	22	50
Clark Ellis & Sons, labor, furnace job....	2	
Labor on Grammar building.....	3	15—\$6583 30

For the first time the school department shows its account overdrawn. This is due in part to the large amount expended upon the Grammar School yard, and the remainder to the report having been made up before receiving the amount due from the state school fund. There has been delay in this latter item every year, and it was thought best to leave it out of 1891 credit, using what is paid about Feb. 1st to 1892, and thus being able to tell early in the season of each succeeding year how much is to come from this source. In connection with excavation for basement of Hopedale Machine Company shop, we had an opportunity to obtain sufficient loam to suitably grade the front of the Grammar School lot at a comparatively small expense, and thought it wise to do so, although not contemplated in making up the year's estimates.

The cost of re-setting furnaces was \$36.82 in excess of the special appropriation for this purpose. Since making the change there has been but little trouble in regard to heating the building, such as has arisen being due to the difficulty in foreseeing sudden changes in the weather, or lack of proper care in managing the fires. Unfortunately we cannot afford an expert engineer to take charge of the apparatus at our various buildings, and there is always danger of mistakes in consequence.

We have again to report the loss of teachers who have left us to take more important positions elsewhere at increased salaries. Miss Barrows, who had had charge of the High School from its start, resigned at the end of the spring term. To her untiring efforts is due much of the present success of the school, and pupils, parents and the committee alike regretted that she decided to make a change. As Miss Bancroft was familiar with the general routine of the work she was promoted to the head of the school, and Miss Grace E. Sprague, a graduate of Wellesley College, elected assistant. Miss Low, who had done excellent work in the South Hopedale school, also resigned in June, following the example of her predecessors who had each taught but one year at this building. Miss May C. Collagan, a graduate of the Framingham Normal School, was secured to fill the vacancy.

Toward the close of the fall term Miss Ashley was offered a much better position, and was released by the committee from her contract here. She was one of our most competent teachers, and it is specially unfortunate that she leaves at the middle of the school year. Miss Holbrook, who desired to make a change in grade, was given this room, and Miss Annie F. Blackman, a graduate of Bridgewater Normal School, elected to Grades III. and IV.

The above completes a list of eleven teachers whom we have lost within the past five years, all having secured more lucrative positions elsewhere. While these frequent changes are very undesirable in our schools, if we do not offer sufficient inducement to keep the best talent, perhaps we are fortunate in retaining such for a shorter time rather than go to the other extreme.

There has been a slight improvement in the per cent. of attendance this year over last, and it is hoped that next year will do still better.

Since our last report the Grafton & Upton R. R. Co. has covered the southerly slope of the embankment at High School lot with an average depth of one foot of loam. When covered with grass, this will greatly improve the general appearance of the premises.

The attention of parents is called to the law in regard to school attendance, which now provides that children between the ages of 8 and 14 must now attend school thirty weeks during the year.

We again repeat certain laws in regard to contagious diseases, etc. Chapter 47, section 9, of the Revised Statutes, states that

"The school committee shall not allow a child who has not been duly vaccinated to be admitted to, or connected with, the public schools."

The following act was passed in 1885:

"The school committee shall not allow any pupil to attend the public schools while any member of the household to which such pupil belongs is sick of smallpox, diphtheria, or scarlet fever, or during the period of two weeks after the death, recovery or removal of such sick person, and any person coming from such household shall be required to present to the teacher of the school the pupil desires to attend, a certificate from the attending physician or Board of Health of the facts necessary to entitle him to admission in accordance with the above regulation."

The regulation of the committee relative to the admission of children who have not before attended school, provides that such scholars are received only during the first two weeks of the Spring and Fall terms, at which time new classes are formed. Other children may be admitted at any time upon application to the committee.

The following communication has been received within a few days:

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS: IN SESSION EVERY TUESDAY.

HENRY G. TAFT, Chairman, Uxbridge, Mass.

EMERSON STONE, Spencer, Mass.

C. J. RICE, Winchendon, Mass.

Worcester, Mass., January 19, 1892.

NOTICE.

The County Truant School at Oakdale, West Boylston, Mass., will be in readiness for the reception of such truants as may be sentenced to said institution (from any city or town in Worcester County) in accordance with the law in such cases made and provided, on and after Monday, Feb. 2d, 1892.

An inspection of the institution is invited. Visiting day, Thursday. F. L. Johnson, Supt.

HENRY G. TAFT,	} County Commissioners
EMERSON STONE,	
CHARLES J. RICE,	
	of
	Worcester County.

It will be necessary for the town to vote to send such truants as we may have to this truant school at the coming town meeting.

The graduating exercises of the senior class in the High School were held in the Town Hall, and reflected great credit upon both teachers and pupils. We were favored with a very practical address upon educational matters by Mr. A. W. Edson of the State Board of Education, who presented the diplomas to the graduating class.

The signal for no school is now struck upon the fire alarm bell, and is four strokes repeated four times. At 7.30 A. M. it indicates no school in the morning for High School and lower grades; at 8.15, no school in grades below the high; at 11.30, no school in the afternoon.

For the past two years but little has been expended for repairs. This season the grammar building must be shingled, and both this and the one at South Hopedale painted. Should we have a severe winter, the expense for fuel is likely to increase rather than diminish. Many of our text books have been in use since 1886, and this item is likely to be greater the coming year than in 1891. With the above and other needed repairs and improvements in view, we recommend an appropriation of \$5,600 for 1892.

For the School Committee,

FRANK J. DUTCHER, Secretary.

ENROLLMENT AND ATTENDANCE, 1891.

	GRADE I.	GRADE II.	GRADE III.	GRADE IV.	GRADE V.	GRADE VI.	GRADE VII.	GRADE VIII.	SOUTH HOPEDALE.	HIGH.	SUMMARY.
Total Enrollment, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	246.
Number under 5 years of age, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.
Number between 5 and 8 years of age, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	55.
Number between 8 and 14 years of age, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	136.
Number between 14 and 15 years of age, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18.
Number over 15 years of age, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	37.
Average number belonging, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Average daily attendance, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Per cent. of attendance, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total half days' absence, ...	22.46	16.24	22.41	16.32	15.29	12.60	13.16	17.36	18.99	26.08	180.91
Number of cases of tardiness, ...	20.96	15.03	21.22	15.62	14.01	11.76	12.57	16.79	16.34	25.74	170.04
Number of cases of dismissal, ...	93.32	92.55	94.69	95.71	91.62	93.33	95.52	96.71	86.04	98.69	93.99
Number of cases of truancy, ...	836.	423.	447.	242.	269.	232.	252.	272.	605.	141.	3719.
Number of cases of corporal punishment, ...	25.	20.	29.	10.	21.	23.	10.	23.	103.	14.	278.
Number of visits by committee, ...	8.	8.	12.	27.	23.	22.	26.	25.	17.	14.	182.
Number of cases of truancy, ...	0.	1.	4.	1.	0.	0.	0.	1.	0.	0.	7.
Number of visits by committee, ...	0.	1.	1.	2.	2.	2.	0.	2.	0.	0.	10.
Number of visits by others, ...	29.	29.	48.	107.	31.	105.	81.	125.	21.	17.	227.
Number of visits by others, ...	90.	90.	107.	107.	105.	105.	125.	125.	36.	62.	525.

Number of inhabitants in the town May 1, 18911249

Number of children between the ages of 5 and 15, May 1, 1891 216

Number of children between the ages of 8 and 14, May 1, 1891 117

Per cent. of children between 5 and 15 in total inhabitants17.29

COURSE OF STUDY IN HOPEDALE HIGH SCHOOL.

LATIN—ENGLISH COURSE.

FIRST YEAR.

First Term.	Algebra and Arithmetic.	Physiology	}	Latin.
Second Term.	Algebra and Arithmetic.	and		Latin.
Third Term.	Algebra and Arithmetic.	Zoology.		Latin.

SECOND YEAR.

First Term.	History.	Geometry.	Latin and English Literature.
Second Term.	History.	Geometry.	Latin and English Literature.
Third Term.	History.	Natural Philosophy.	Latin and English Literature.

THIRD YEAR.

First Term.	French.	Natural Philosophy.	Latin and English Literature.
Second Term.	French.	Chemistry.	Latin and English Literature.
Third Term.	French.	Chemistry.	Latin and English Literature.

FOURTH YEAR.

First Term.	French.	Geology.	English Literature.
Second Term.	French.	Astronomy.	Civil Government.
Third Term.	French.	Botany.	Political Economy.

The English Course is like the above, except that during the first three years the following studies are substituted for Latin:

FIRST YEAR.	SECOND YEAR.	THIRD YEAR.
First Term.	Book-keeping.	English Grammar and Composition.
Second Term.	Book-keeping.	Rhetoric.
Third Term.	Com'm'ce'al law.	Trigonometry.

The Classical Course takes Greek with the second year, and is varied to meet the requirements of the colleges for which the students are preparing.

A general exercise of about fifteen minutes per day is given through the entire course in arithmetic, geography, spelling and other elementary branches. Also rhetoricals and reviews are required of all pupils.

TEACHERS AND SALARIES.

Teachers.	Where Fitted.	Grades.	School Year.	Salaries.
Lilla J. Bancroft.	Greenfield Academy.	High.	40 weeks.	\$700 00
Grace E. Sprague.	Wellesley College.	High.	40 weeks.	550 00
Abby E. Flagg.	Framingham Normal School.	7 and 8.	40 weeks.	560 00
Ellen M. Holbrook	Framingham Normal School.	5 and 6.	36 weeks.	432 00
Annie F. Blackman.	Bridgewater Normal School.	3 and 4.	36 weeks.	360 00
Anna M. Walker.	Milford High School.	1 and 2.	36 weeks.	432 00
May C. Collagan.	Framingham Normal School.	Mixed.	36 weeks.	360 00
Mrs. S. E. Whitney.		Music.	40 weeks.	140 00
Lura B. Bancroft.		Drawing.	40 weeks.	120 00

SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1892.

WINTER TERM.			SPRING TERM.		FALL TERM.	
High School and Grades 7 and 8.	Opens. Jan. 4.	Closes. March 25.	Opens. April 4.	Closes. June 24.	Opens. Sept. 6.	Closes. Dec. 23.
Other Grades.	Jan. 4.	March 18.	April 4.	June 17.	Sept. 12.	Dec. 16.

Holidays during the terms :

Washington's Birthday, Fast Day, Memorial Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and the Friday following.

THE FOLLOWING NAMED CHILDREN HAVE BEEN NEITHER
ABSENT NOR TARDY FOR THE TIME SPECIFIED.

SIX TERMS.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Maud L. Gifford.

Edward L. Walker.

FIVE TERMS.

HIGH SCHOOL.

William F. Stimpson.

Mary P. Stearns.

Maud E. Sadler.

THREE TERMS

HIGH SCHOOL.

F. Foster Hartwell.

Asa A. Westcott.

GRADE VIII.

May Clarke.

GRADE V.

Fred Osgood.

SPRING AND FALL TERMS.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Cora L. Edmands.

Lilla J. Ross.

GRADE VIII.

William Knight.

Dora Ross.

GRADE IV.

Maud Northrup.

Albert Cole.

Eugene Steele.

WINTER AND SPRING TERMS.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Bessie T. Roper.

Walter Watson.

GRADE VIII.

Frank Arnold.

GRADE V.

Percy Cole.

WINTER TERM.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Cora M. Welch.

Paul Day.

Anthony Gardner.

GRADE VIII.

Hannah Curley.

GRADE VI.

James Hollis.

GRADE V.

Joseph B. Bancroft.

SPRING TERM.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Gertrude C. Young.

Edward B. Day.

GRADE VIII.

Albion French.

Agnes Morin.

GRADE VI.

Arthur Edmands.

GRADE V.

Warren W. Dutcher.

Clarence Arnold.

Mary Rainbow.

GRADE IV.

Walter Roper.

Daisy G. Dutcher.

GRADE III.

Hattie Smith.

William Crawford.

Sanford Cole.

GRADE I.

Flora Messinger.

SOUTH HOPEDALE.

Roy Gaskill.

FALL TERM.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Florence E. Varnam.

Grace M. Clarke.

Charles I. Schofield.

Charles A. Burgess.

Cora M. Welch.

Florence B. Downing.

Ernest A. Weeks.

Richard T. Gifford.

Frank Edmands.

GRADE VIII.

Edward Sheldon.

GRADE VII.

Stella Clarke.

GRADE VI.

Lura Sadler.

Paul French.

Arthur Osgood.

GRADE V.

Mabel Hollis.

Alice Northrup.

	GRADE IV.	
Gladys Knight.	Archie Miller.	John Gardner.
	Walter Miller.	
	GRADE III.	
Rose Draper.	Lilian Northrup.	Mary Ritchie.
	GRADE II.	
Mary Ross.		Arthur Knight.
	GRADE I.	
Minnie Kellogg.		Roy Westcott.

REPORT OF TRUANT OFFICER.

HOPEDALE, Mass., Dec. 31, 1891.

MR. A. W. HAM, Chairman of School Committee,

DEAR SIR :

I have been called on but twice during the past year, in both cases the truant being returned to school.

The various manufactories have observed the laws in regard to employment of minors.

Yours respectfully,

ANTOINE MORIN, Truant Officer.

GRADUATING EXERCISES

OF THE

CLASS OF 1891.

HOPEDALE HIGH SCHOOL.

❖ WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, AT 8 O'CLOCK, P. M. ❖

EXERCISES:

Song—The Rustic Dance, G A Veazie,	.....	.....	.....	School
Greek Salutatory,	.....	.....	.....
Essay;—"Dans tout ce que vous entreprenez mesurez vos forces"	Maud L. Gifford			
Essay;—"What is there for Young America to Do?"	.....	.....	.....	Edward B. Day
Song—The Pilgrim Fathers—Arr. by L. T. Wade,	.....	.....	.....	School
Resume of the English Work from September to April—				
Written and arranged by	{ Mary L. Stearns, Frank Edmands, William F. Stimpson, Edward L. Walker			
Gloria—From Bordese's Mass in F,				
Oratorio—Damascus Triumphant March from "Naaman,"	{ School			
Essay;—The Brook—The Man,	.....	.....	.....	William F. Stimpson
Essay;—The Indian Standpoint,	.....	.....	.....	Paul Day
Dido and Her Guests,—The Theme,	.....	.....	.....	Foster Hartwell, Ernest Weeks
After the Feast—				
Dido,	.....	.....	.....	Bessie Roper
Æneas,	.....	.....	.....	Charles I. Schofield
Night's Shade No Longer—From Rossini's "Moses in Egypt,"	{ School			
Song of the Sea—G. A. Veazie,	.....	.....	.....
Essay;—"A Stone that is Fit for the Wall is Never left by the Way."	Albert G. Warner			
Essay;—Nature and Books,	.....	.....	.....	Edward L. Walker
Valedictory,	.....	.....	.....
Parting Song,	.....	.....	.....	Seniors
Address and Presentation of Diplomas,	.....	.....	.....
Mr. A. W. Edson, of the State Board of Education				

GRADUATING CLASS.

ENGLISH AND FRENCH COURSE.

WILLIAM FREDERICK STIMPSON.

ENGLISH, FRENCH AND LATIN COURSE.

EDWARD LLOYD WALKER.

CLASSICAL COURSE.

MAUD LENA GIFFORD.

EDWARD BLISS DAY.

PAUL DAY.

ALBERT GARDINER WARNER.

CLASS MOTTO,	"Dans tout ce que vous entreprenez mesurez vos forces"			
COLOR,	.....	.....	.....	LIGHT BLUE
FLOWER,	.....	.....	.....	GILLY-FLOWER
Parts assigned by Rank,	.....	.....	.....	Valedictory and Salutatory

SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

HOPEDALE PUBLIC LIBRARY,

HOPEDALE, MASSACHUSETTS,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1891.

TRUSTEES:

	Term Expires.
ALENZA T. GIFFORD, <i>Chairman</i>	March 1, 1893.
IRVING ROSS.....	" " 1894.
FRANK H. FRENCH, <i>Secretary</i>	" " 1892.

LIBRARIAN:

FRANK H. FRENCH.

ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN:

MRS. THERON E. BABCOCK.

The Trustees wish to impress upon the inhabitants of the town that a Public Library is the proper place in which to deposit any manuscript or printed matter of any kind, whether book, pamphlet, report, notice, poster, hand-bill or newspaper, that contains any direct or indirect reference to Hopedale. If each citizen will bear this in mind and do his share in the matter, the Library will eventually contain a more complete history of our town than can be made in any other way.

The Trustees will furthermore welcome any suggestion that will in any way increase the usefulness of the Library.

SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF THE HOPEDALE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

This report covers the year 1891. At the annual meeting of the Town, held March 2d, 1891, Mr. Irving Ross was re-elected for three years. The Board organized for the year by the election of A. T. Gifford as chairman and F. H. French as secretary and librarian. Mrs. Theron E. Babcock, who so long and faithfully served the library in the capacity of assistant librarian, was engaged for the year, and the same general management adopted as in former years.

The sum of eight hundred dollars was appropriated, together with such money as might be returned to the town by the county from dog tax, which amounted to one hundred and eighty dollars and fifty-one cents. The fines have been somewhat reduced this year, on account of the action of the trustees in remitting all fines for Sundays, deeming it unfair to charge fines for days when books could not be returned. The sum of twenty-eight dollars and ninety-four cents was, however, collected, this sum making the total receipts one thousand and nine dollars and forty-five cents for the year.

It will be noticed that the expenditure for books this year has been somewhat less than in 1890, principally on account of some over one hundred dollars being paid out for books that were contracted for in 1889. The periodical account shows an increased expenditure. The trustees, following the practice of most large towns and cities, have increased this department, thus furnishing the newest and best reading to the library. These, by binding each year, furnish additional volumes of first-class matter for permanent use.

There are two matters that have been urged upon the trustees, viz: the publication of a catalogue and opening the reading room on Sundays. The matter of printing a catalogue, under the present system of card catalogue and shelf list in use in the library, we

do not think would be advisable, as visitors and patrons of the library will be given any information by consulting the persons in charge, as to either of the sources of information mentioned above. The catalogue would be very incomplete after one year, so that it would seem, with the present number of volumes in the library, to be unnecessary. The matter of opening the reading room Sunday afternoons and evenings for a part of the year, say from September to May, would seem to be a desirable thing to do. The trustees would be willing to adopt it, if the people of the town desire it. It would somewhat increase the running expenses of the library, but would also furnish a place where the young people could profitably and pleasantly pass a part of the day.

It will be necessary to elect one member of the board of trustees at the next annual meeting of the town, to serve three years. In view of the growing demands and increased expense of maintaining the library, we recommend that the town appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars for the coming year, together with the dog tax, as heretofore. The value of the library as town property is five thousand dollars.

The foregoing, together with subjoined financial and book account, we most respectfully submit.

For the Trustees,

FRANK H. FRENCH, Secretary.

NUMBER OF BOOKS DELIVERED FOR HOME USE AND
NUMBER OF VISITORS TO THE READING ROOM.

	Books Taken Out.		Visitors to Reading Room.	
	1890.	1891.	1890.	1891.
January,	479	662	454	459
February,	440	505	428	433
March,	535	582	448	403
April,	604	607	444	405
May,	543	606	370	350
June,	501	536	316	329
July,	493	475	298	320
August,	521	544	340	320
September,	570	549	375	464
October,	600	561	489	538
November,	655	526	440	539
December,	502	513	378	414
	<u>6,443</u>	<u>6,668</u>	<u>4,780</u>	<u>4,974</u>

	1890.	1891.
Cardholders,	609	696
Circulation,	6,443	6,668
Visitors to Reading Room,	4,780	4,974
Volumes in Library,	3,315	3,528
Fines, etc.,	\$32.77	\$28.94
Percentage of Fiction,	63	63

R E C E I P T S.

Appropriation.....	\$800 00
Proceeds of dog tax.....	180 51
Fines	28 94
	<u>\$1009 45</u>

EXPENDITURES.

Boooks		\$288 57
Periodicals		147 10
Binding		65 57
Services, Mrs. Theron E. Babcock.....	\$322 00	
Miss Georgiana Bailey.....	6 10	—328 10
Supplies.		
Frank H. French.....	13 06	
Geo. H. Walker & Co.....	15 00	
Smith & Mead....	55	
G. M. Billings,.....	3 00	—31 61
Lighting and Care.		
Milford Gas Light Co.....	74 26	
Mrs. Kate Crahan.....	50 10	
Frank H. French.....	8 40	—132 76
Sundries.		
Frank H. French.....	16 66	
Hopedale Stable.....	1 35	
Cook & Sons	3 50	
Dutcher Temple Co	13 23	
Frank Edmands.....	1 00	—35 74
Total expenditure.....		\$1029 45
Total receipts.....		1009 45
Exceeded receipts		\$20 00

SUMMARY.

RECEIPTS.

	1890.	1891.
Appropriation	\$800 00	\$800 00
Donation.....		
Proceeds of dog tax.....	178 41	180 51
Fines	32 77	28 94
	<hr/> \$1011 18	<hr/> \$1009 45

EXPENDITURES.

	1890.	1891.
Books.....	\$377 45	\$288 57
Periodicals	61 55	147 10
Binding	43 77	65 57
Services	323 00	328 10
Supplies.....	28 83	31 61
Furniture and Fixtures.....	82 48	
Light and Care.....	109 80	132 76
Sundries	39 10	35 74
	<hr/> \$1065 68	<hr/> \$1029 45

GIFTS TO THE LIBRARY IN 1891.

	Volumes	Pamphlets.
Abington Public Library.....		1
Adams, No. Public Library.....		1
American Humane Education Society.....		1
Auburn Public Library.....		1
Baker & Co., Walter.....	1	
Berlitz & Co., N. Y. (Le Francais), 1 number		
Billings, G. M. (Milford Gazette).....		
Boston Dental College.....		1
Brookline Public Library.....		1
Burlington (Vt.) Public Library.....		1
Chelsea Public Library.....		1
Clinton Public Library.....		1
Colburn, Mrs. C. H.	1	
Cook & Sons (Milford Journal, Daily and Weekly)		
Critic Co.....		3
Draper, Gen. William F.....	6	
“ (Social Economist) ..		
Dunstable Public Library.....		1
Dutcher, F. J.....	2	
Everett Public Library.....	1	1
Fall River Public Library.....		1
Felt, C. W., publisher (Sand and Salt) 3 numbers.....		
Foster, F. W.....		2
Gallagher, J. P. (Milford Times).....		
Glen Echo Chautauqua Association (Wash.)..		1
Grand Rapids (Mich.) Public Library.....		1
Hoar, G. F., senator, Washington.....		13
Home Market Club (Bulletin).....		
Lancaster Public Library.....		1
Lawrence Public Library.....		1
Leahy Bros. (Milford Daily News).....		

Leicester Public Library.....		1
Library Bureau.....		4
Littleton Public Library.....		1
Lynn Public Library.....		1
Malden Public Library.....		1
M'f'g Gazette Publishing Co. (Manufacturing Gazette, 3 numbers).....		
Marlborough Public Library.....		1
Mass. Sec. of State.....	17	
Melrose Public Library.....		1
Middleton Public Library.....		1
Montague, F. D.....	8	
Murphy, J., publisher (The Tablet, 1 number)		
Natick Public Library.....		1
New Bedford Public Library.....		1
Newburyport Public Library.....		1
Nourse, H. S.....		1
Osgood, Mr. E. L.....	2	
Paterson (N. J.) Public Library.....		1
Patrick, Delano.....	1	
Portland (Me.) Public Library.....		1
Practical Mechanic Publishing Co. (Practical Mechanic, 1 number).....		
Raymer, Charles D. (The Literary Light, 1 number)		
Renshaw, Jos. B.....	1	1
Shaker Community Library — J. Whitely, librarian, Shirley Village. (The Manifesto)		
Southbridge Public Library.....		1
Springfield Public Library.....		14
Standard Oil & Fuel Co. (Kem-Korn)....		1
Taunton Public Library		1
Tucker, B. R.....		1
United States Bureau of Education.....	2	
Uxbridge Public Library.....		1
Waltham Public Library.....		1

Watertown Public Library.....	2
Weymouth Public Library.....	
Wheeler, Major Geo. M.....	1
Willard, Mrs. Geo. (Christian Alliance).....	
Winchester Public Library.....	1
Woburn Public Library.....	1
Worcester Public Library.....	1

LIST OF PERIODICALS REGULARLY RECEIVED.

Those marked with a * are given.

WEEKLIES :

American Machinist.
 American Architect & Building News.*
 Christian Alliance.*
 The Electrical World.
 Franklin Sentinel.
 Frank Leslie's Illustrated.*
 Garden and Forest.
 Harper's Bazaar.
 Harper's Young People.
 Harper's Weekly.
 Illustrated American.
 Illustrated London News.
 Milford Daily News.*
 Milford Gazette.*
 Milford Journal (Daily and Weekly).*
 Milford Times.*
 Official Gazette.
 Publisher's Weekly.
 Scientific American.
 Scientific American Supplement.
 Uxbridge Compendium.
 Youth's Companion.
 Woonsocket Reporter, Daily.

MONTHLIES :

American Agriculturist.
 Arena.
 Atlantic.
 Century.
 Co-operative Index to Periodicals..
 Cosmopolitan.
 Demorest.
 Engineering.
 Forum.
 Frank Leslie's Popular Magazine.
 Harper's Magazine.
 Industrial Record.
 Library Journal.
 Manifesto.*
 Mechanics.
 New England Magazine.
 Nineteenth Century Magazine.
 North American Review.
 Poultry Monthly.
 Popular Gardening
 Review of Reviews.
 St. Nicholas.
 Scribner's Magazine.
 Social Economist.*
 Textile Record.
 Veteran's Advocate.*
 Wide Awake.

